



## Veterans Home - Chippewa Falls

### 7.6.2022 Veterans Home Family Updates:

Dear Family and Friends of the Veterans Home at Chippewa Falls,

Unfortunately, we have one new team member diagnosed with COVID-19 since our last update. PCR confirmatory test results are still pending. Two team members have recovered since our last update.

Accounting for all recent recoveries, currently we only have 1 active case of COVID-19 on campus (0 members, 1 team member).

Visitors are still being welcomed to all households. Please understand the risks associated with visiting during a COVID-19 outbreak if you do choose to visit.

Please consider visiting outside with your loved one if the weather is nice or consider telephone or virtual visits if you are more comfortable with connecting from afar.

COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Response Action Plan is in place to ensure our members, team members, and families stay safe. This plan includes:

- Requiring team members and encouraging members and family members to remain up-to-date with their COVID-19 vaccinations.
- Assigning one leader to oversee all Training in Infection Prevention and Control and to implement our COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Response Action Plan.
- Utilizing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), per CMS guidelines, including a well-fitting face covering or mask that covers the mouth and nose.
- Screening and monitoring members and team members for symptoms of COVID-19.
- Using alcohol-based hand rub regularly.
- Tracing individuals who come in contact with anyone affected.
- Testing members and team members for COVID-19 based-on federal and state guidance.
- Quarantining COVID-19 positive members and implementing enhanced infection control measures.
- Advising COVID-19 positive team members to take all appropriate measures.
- Taking environmental safety precautions.
- Assuring safe congregate dining and group activities.
- Adhering to safe visitation procedures, including maintaining six feet of distance between persons as appropriate.

Staying up-to-date with your COVID-19 vaccinations will help you and your loved ones stay healthy and safe throughout the summer season.

To do so, be sure to receive any boosters you're eligible to receive. The CDC changed their guidance last month where people over 50 need to have 2 boosters to be considered up-to-date.

If you need help finding a vaccine or have questions about available COVID-19 boosters, please contact us.

Thank you,

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